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FM AMEMBASSY PORT MORESBY
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2338

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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: EAIR PP

SUBJ: FOLLOW-UP ON AIR NIUGINI REQUEST FOR FLIGHT CLEARANCES

REF: A) PORT MORESBY 0706, B) PORT MORESBY 0715

1. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY OF EVENTS RELATING TO LAST-MINUTE
REQUEST FOR AIRLINE CLEARANCE BY AIR NIUGINI AS PER REFTELS:

REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN CLEARANCE CAME TO EMBASSY AT LAST
MOMENT AS DIPLOMATIC NOTE FROM DFAT. DESPITE PROMISES TO
CONTRARY, DFAT OFFICIALS WERE NOT AVAILABLE AFTER CLOSING
HOURS TO BE NOTIFIED OF CLEARANCE STATUS. EMBASSY OFFICIAL
CONTACTED GENERAL MANAGER, AIR NIUGINI, WHO WAS UNAWARE
CLEARANCE HAD NOT BEEN OBTAINED. GENERAL MANAGER TOLD EMBASSY
OFFICIAL THAT SINCE PRIME MINISTER WOULD BE ON FLIGHT, PLANE
WOULD LEAVE WITH OR WITHOUT CLEARANCES. EMBASSY OFFICIAL DID NOT
PURSUE POINT FURTHER AT THAT TIME, SINCE IT WAS HOPED THAT
CLEARANCE WOULD BE RECEIVED. AS IT TURNED OUT, DEPT NOTIFIED
EMBASSY NO ADDITIONAL CLEARANCE WAS NECESSARY AS LONG AS AIR
NIUGINI FILED ITS REGULAR ICAO FLIGHT PLAN. EMBASSY OFFICIAL
THEN NOTIFIED GENERAL MANAGER AIR NIUGINI.

2. EMBASSY IS DISTURBED BY LACK OF RESPONSIBILITY SHOWN BY
DFAT AND AIR NIUGINI AND IS TAKING STEPS TO ESTABLISH DIRECT
COMMUNICATIONS WITH AIR NIUGINI IN ORDER TO RECEIVE REQUESTS
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FOR CLEARANCES MORE PROMPTLY. (DELAYS APPARENTLY ORIGINATE
AT DFAT.) EMBASSY IS ALSO CONSIDERING APPROACHING DFAT OR AIR
NIUGINI DIRECTLY TO STRESS IMPORTANCE OF SUCH CLEARANCES.
EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE SUMMARY OF POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF
UNCLEARED OVERFLIGHTS FOR USE IN POSSIBLE DISCUSSIONS WITH
GPNG.
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